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I think the only meeting with PLP was with the Region. It seems unlikely there was a meeting with any of you that we would not know about. Right?
At that meeting they asked us about our intentions. We responded that we were evaluating the issue and did not have any more information than that. It was a pretty tense meeting. The PLP folks had an aggressive tone. Rick apologized for the tension and lack of information but said that since we have not made a decision there was not much to say.

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▼ [Brian Frazer---10/25/2010 07:02:09 AM---Palmer I thought you and Stacie attended that meeting. I had a conflict and missed it. bf](#)

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▼ [Palmer Hough---10/25/2010 10:55:27 AM---I was not at that meeting](#) [Palmer Hough, Environmental Scientist](#)

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▼ [Tanya Code---10/25/2010 10:46:30 AM---I think Denise was referring to a meeting with the Pebble Limited Partnership. Dave wasn't at that](#)

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I think Denise was referring to a meeting with the Pebble Limited Partnership. Dave wasn't at that meeting, but thought that you and Brian might have been. She wants Nancy to be able to convey to Shoren the points/issues that the company raised when they came in to talk to EPA.

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▼ [Palmer Hough---10/25/2010 10:14:03 AM---Tanya: Below are some TPs from the meeting that Shoren's group had with Denise and OWOW staff on 9/2](#)

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Tanya:

Below are some TPs from the meeting that Shoren's group had with Denise and OWOW staff on 9/22/10. Let me know if you need more.

-Palmer

- On 9/22/10, Denise Keehner and members of her staff met with a number of Bristol Bay, Alaska stakeholders to hear their concerns regarding Pebble Limited Partnership's mining project which is proposed to be located in the headwaters of Bristol Bay. These stakeholders included representatives from local Tribes, the Bristol Bay Native Corporation, Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Development Association, Alaska Independent Fishermans Marketing Association, and environmental groups (TU and NRDC).
- They described the unique and important natural resources found in Bristol Bay particularly its world class fisheries resources (e.g., sockeye salmon). They described their concerns that the likely extensive environmental impacts associated with the proposed Pebble mine project would critically degrade the Bay's fisheries resources causing significant ecological and economic harm.
- These stakeholders highlighted the widespread public concern regarding the proposed mining project, including widespread corporate opposition - most notably a coalition of jewelers led by Tiffany's and Co. that have pledged their support for the protection of Bristol Bay.
- The stakeholders also discussed the requests that have been made to EPA to review the proposed project pursuant to our authority under CWA section 404(c).
- They noted how important it was that Administrator Jackson recently visited the area and met with stakeholders to personally hear their concerns.
- The stakeholders expressed their strong belief that, based on the nature and extent of the likely adverse impacts of the Pebble project and the quality and value of the natural resources at stake, EPA should take the extraordinary step of initiating review of this project under 404(c) even though a section 404 permit application has not yet been formally submitted by Pebble to the Corps of Engineers. Additionally the stakeholders noted that the need to act now is also based on their own concerns that the project's likely extensive environmental impacts would harm investment in Bristol Bay potentially hurting all of their interests.
- Denise noted that EPA has heard their concerns, as evidenced by the Administrator's recent trip to the area, and that the agency is reviewing the requests for EPA action pursuant to 404(c).

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Nancy Stoner will call Shoren Brown at 4:00 pm EST (1:00 pm his time) to discuss Pebble Mine follow-up.